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U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, October 29.—Last 24 hours' rainfall, .00. Temperature, Max. 80; Min. 73. Weather, unsettled.

ESTABLISHED JULY 2, 1856.

SUGAR.—96 Degree Test Centrifugals, 3.90c.; Per Ton, \$78.00. 88 Analysis Beets, 9s. 3d.; Per Ton, \$79.20.

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HONOLULU, HAWAII TERRITORY, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1907.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

KONA TO HAVE THIRTY MILES OF RAILROAD

A Common Carrying Road --- Three Allied Corporations to Issue \$1,000,000 of Bonds --- Kona's Great Day Arrives.

Kona, Hawaii, meaning North and South, is going to have a railway more than thirty miles in length, of which about one-third is already built or in course of construction.

Primarily the road is projected to carry sugar cane from plantations in both districts to a central sugar mill. Yet it is to be a public railway for the carriage of passengers and freight. The Kona Agricultural Company, at its meeting yesterday, in conjunction with the Kona Development Company and the West Hawaii Railway Company, authorized a joint bond issue of \$1,000,000 for the development of the several enterprises of these three corporations.

An issue of \$500,000 is to be first made, which is to be used primarily for the extension of the railroad from North to South Kona, and the construction of a line to the sea at some point on Kealahou bay.

The Kona Development Co. has its prime field of operations in North Kona, and the Kona Agricultural Co. a corresponding relation to South Kona, the two being closely allied, while the railroad is primarily designed to connect them up and carry sugar cane from their respective plantations to the mill of the Kona Development Co. which is situated in North Kona.

Seven miles of the track have been

built, three miles more is under construction and it is proposed, from the proceeds of the bonds, to build an extension of twenty-two miles, making a total of thirty-two miles. As stated it will be a general public road and do a common carrying business as well as the transportation of cane for its owning companies.

It is expected to go ahead immediately with the extension of the railroad. As soon as it is completed it will enable the Hawaiian Mahogany Lumber Co. to lumber both the ohia and koa forests, where there is more of both kinds of timber than in the district where that company is now operating.

It will be remembered that all of the operations of the lumber company, both in Kona and Kau, are under the full supervision of Territorial Forester Hosmer and subject to the foresting rules of the Board of Agriculture and Forestry. The intention is to take out only mature trees, preserving and protecting the young trees and giving them an opportunity to develop.

Reverting to the bond issue, it may be stated that \$200,000 of the bonds have already been placed at par in Honolulu, and plans are on foot for placing all of the balance which may be needed.

Kona's great day of development has evidently arrived.

HODGINS' CASE WILL COME UP

The Queen's Hospital Trustees Are to Meet Thursday Morning.

A meeting of the trustees of the Queen's Hospital has been called for Thursday morning, to take place in room 402 of the Stangenwald building. When asked for information in regard to the meeting, Secretary George W. Smith stated that it was simply the regular quarterly meeting of the board of trustees and that there would be the regular reports of the executive committee and officers of the hospital. Outside of this regular routine business, he stated that he knew of no other matters which would come up.

When asked if the matter of Dr. Hodgins' being fired from the list of honorary doctors of the hospital would be taken up he assumed a look of surprise, and stated that he thought that the incident had been closed and that nothing more would be heard of it. When informed that it was understood that the matter would be brought up again at the meeting, he disclaimed all knowledge of it personally and also volunteered the information that nothing in this regard had been brought to the attention of the executive board.

Other members of the board who were interviewed refused to have anything to say, for publication, in regard to the Hodgins incident, though it seems almost certain that the matter will be brought up. In what form this will be done it is hard to say, but it is certain that there are members of the board of trustees who believe that Dr. Hodgins' has been treated harshly and that there is a very general impression to that effect among the general public, with whom the physician is justly popular. His position as the president of the Hawaiian Medical Association shows the feeling of the local medical fraternity in this regard.

A new feature which may come up at the meeting is likely to be the appearance of a president of the board of trustees, not only ex officio but de facto. It is certain that Governor Frear has taken a deep interest in the affairs of the Queen's Hospital and unless his time on Thursday is so occupied, on account of his leaving less than a week later on the Alameda for the Coast, he may take the center of action at the meeting. Following his usual custom, he is no doubt fully informed in regard to all the details of the matter before taking any action.

WILL HEAR REPORT ON HOSMER'S TRIP

A meeting of the Board of Agriculture and Forestry will be held this afternoon at 3:30. The principal business of the meeting will be the reading of the report of Forester Hosmer, who has been away on the other islands on a trip of some five weeks' duration. His report will cover, among other subjects of present interest, the ohia forests on Hawaii and the rubber industry at Nahuiku and Hana.

The matter of the proposed trip of F. T. P. Waterhouse to Ceylon, as the representative of the Board, will also be a subject of great interest, owing to the fact that the rubber plantations of his Territory seem bound to become one of the leading industries of the islands. What action will be taken on the matter cannot be told till the board has taken the question up and thoroughly discussed it.

POLLITZ AND WALSH DUE ON MANCHURIA

E. Pollitz and E. M. Walsh, of San Francisco, the representatives of the directors of Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company, will reach here Thursday morning on the Manchuria. They come here for the purpose of looking into the value of the Kihel plantation, which may be absorbed by the first mentioned company, and will remain in the Territory till their investigations have been completed. It is stated on good authority that a canvass of the Kihel stockholders shows that the owners of 3975 shares of stock, or 2900 shares over the three-fourths necessary, are in favor of the proposed transaction.

FORT SHAFTER IMPROVEMENTS

The Houses Will Be Duplicated and an Electric Plant Installed.

Plans for the duplication of accommodations at Fort Shafter, the army headquarters and barracks at Kahauiki, will be completed by the middle of next month and it is expected that by the first of the new year bids for the construction, as great a work of erection as has already been accomplished, will be under consideration.

As the military reserve now appears it is about to receive the finishing touches of road and curb and pave work, and about the time that gardens about officers' quarters begin to take on beauty the new work will be starting and two more large barrack buildings will be swung into the circle of huge frame structures, in the makai segment, and another dozen or so houses for officers, including a bachelor-officers' domicile, will be begun. Then Fort Shafter will look like a well-set and pretty township sprouting anew under a building boom. In other words, Fort Shafter will be spreading to twice its present capacity.

It is not improbable that before the work of doubling is complete the army will decide to increase the facilities and accommodations still further and in that event more buildings will be erected across the stream, on the town side of the present fort.

It is expected that arrangements will soon be made for an electric light plant at Kahauiki, the fort thus generating its own power. At this time the great barracks are lit by oil lamps and along the roadways are wooden posts upon the tops of which are placed the lamps. These will before long be replaced by arc lights and, with its own power for illumination, its own telephone system and its own water, Fort Shafter will be something of an independent municipality.

It is not an easy matter to make the tour of the citadel, as some of the soldiers term Fort Shafter, for the roadways have not received their top-dressings where they have been graded and filled, and there are also those which have yet to be put to grade and filling. A portion of the upper streets passing the officers' quarters have received cement sidewalks and a considerable stretch has been curbed and guttered, both curbing and guttering being of cement.

Eventually the immense center space will be cleared and graded and converted into a splendid drill ground that will also be used for sports. It is large enough for polo and an ideal spread of land for all manner of exercise on foot or horse.

Honolulu people or those recently arrived who contemplate building homes in this country would learn much from an inspection of the Kahauiki buildings which have on several previous occasions been described. They are built for the climate and for durability and not without some architectural thought. Along similar, if not identical lines, the new buildings to be added to the Fort will be erected.

Lawns have already been laid out about the barracks and many of the other edifices, trees have been planted and hedges, in places, set out.

From the heights of Kahauiki the lights in the barracks appear as those of big hotels. When the electric plant is installed Fort Shafter will be the most brilliant spot on the island after sunset.

BLAME FOR ACCIDENT ON U. S. S. ALBATROSS

While the Board of Inquiry, which was called together by Admiral Very, to investigate the death of James Collarey, who was killed on board the U. S. S. Albatross on Monday, has not made public its findings, it is certain that the blame for the accident will be placed on one of the petty officers, whose duty it was to see that the steam was shut off before work was done on the valve. The dead fireman was given instructions to take off the stop-valve and naturally thought that the steam had been shut off. It was not his work to do this and the blame for his death must rest upon the man who neglected his duty, and so al-

WHOLE COUNTRY SHOWS RETURN OF CONFIDENCE

At Home and Abroad Financial Situation Is Settling Itself---Canada Sends Diplomat to Japan.

(Associated Press Cablegrams.)

SAN FRANCISCO, October 30.—The savings banks here have followed the example set in many of the Eastern cities and have made operative the rule requiring thirty days' notice from depositors of withdrawal of funds.

BROKERS REFUSING ORDERS.

NEW YORK, October 30.—The brokers on the Exchange are refusing to accept either buying or selling orders on margins.

AMERICAN CREDIT GOOD.

NEW YORK, October 30.—The enormous exports are having the effect of uplifting the credit of American securities abroad.

SACRAMENTO IN LINE.

SACRAMENTO, October 30.—The banks here have issued clearing-house certificates for the carrying on of their business through the present financial crisis.

BANKS RESUME IN OREGON TODAY.

PORTLAND, Oregon, October 30.—Clearing-house certificates have been put into use here. The banks will resume business today. The savings banks are demanding sixty days' notice from depositors for withdrawal of money on deposit.

BANKS RESUMING PAYMENT.

NEW YORK, October 29.—Several of the banks that suspended payments during the worst days of the panic are preparing to resume business.

The stock market is quiet.

OREGONIANS HAVE HOLIDAYS.

PORTLAND, Oregon, October 29.—Five days as holidays have been proclaimed to enable the business men to better deal with the financial situation.

EXCHANGE CLOSES IN NEW ORLEANS.

NEW ORLEANS, October 29.—The Stock Exchange of this city has been closed until Monday.

UTAH CATCHES THE FEVER.

SALT LAKE CITY, October 29.—Clearing-house certificates will be issued by the banks of this city to tide over the shortage of coin.

SAN FRANCISCO UNDISTURBED.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 29.—The system of issuing clearing-house certificates in order to tide over the shortage of coin is working well. There is no financial disturbance.

DISCOUNT RATE IN GERMANY.

BERLIN, October 29.—The discount rate of the Imperial Bank of Germany has been raised to 6 1/2 per cent.

CANADIAN MINISTER EN ROUTE FOR TOKIO

VANCOUVER, October 30.—The Honorable Rodolphe Lemieux, the Minister of Labor of the Canadian government, arrived here yesterday en route to Japan, where he will confer with the authorities at Tokio and offer the basis of an agreement between Canada and Japan over the Japanese immigration problem.

GERMANY'S LIBEL SENSATION OVER.

BERLIN, October 30.—Herr Harden, who published the memoirs of Baron von Moltke, has been acquitted on the charge of libel, arising out of statements appearing in the volume.

UNION PACIFIC STOPS CONSTRUCTION WORK.

OMAHA, October 29.—The Union Pacific, the central system of the Hariman lines, has discharged from four thousand to eight thousand workmen, and has abandoned construction work.

lowed Collarey to meet his death, while obeying orders.

The report of the Board of Inquiry will be forwarded to Washington by letter mail, and will be made public from there. In the meantime it may be stated without fear of contradiction that it does not exonerate all on board the Albatross from negligence, which caused the fireman's death.

Collarey probably never knew what hit him. While his body when recovered was horribly scalded, he met his death through the blow received from the head of the valve, which was suddenly thrown from its position as he, unaware of danger, loosened it, and struck him in the face.

SAM JOHNSON IS NOT A CANDIDATE

"Any mention of my name as a candidate for the position of Superintendent of Public Works is unauthorized by me," said Col. Sam Johnson yesterday. "The statement in the papers this afternoon that I am a candidate was made without any authority from anyone that I know of, certainly without any authority from me or without seeing me about it.

"I am not a candidate for the position now nor have I ever been."

BANNER SUGAR CROP NEXT YEAR

Prices Ought to Remain Good With Large Increase in Quantity.

The sugar output for the year 1908 should be the banner crop for these islands, according to a statement made yesterday by E. E. Paxton of the Sugar Factors' Company. The indications are that the coming crop will not only exceed that of the past season by many thousand tons, but that the prices at which it will be sold will be as good as those of the season which is just expiring.

In speaking of the prospects for sugar for next year, Mr. Paxton said:

"From the indications, I believe that there will be a banner sugar crop on these islands in 1908. The conditions which exist indicate that it will be by far the largest crop which has ever been harvested in these islands, and, unless something comes up to cause trouble that can not now be foreseen, there should be good times on the plantations. A number of the larger plantations will increase their yield to a great extent, which is due to increased area planted and to better irrigation.

"Olaa, McBryde, Waiakua and Oahu all will show large increases, as will several of the plantations for which Alexander & Baldwin are agents. This will mean more sugar, and as conditions exist we have reason to expect a great yield per acre. This will depend greatly on the juices. Last year they were not up to what we expected, but if they are in the coming year it will mean a very large increase.

"In regard to price. From the present outlook this should be satisfactory. The conditions which exist throughout the sugar world today are practically the same as those which existed a year ago, and from this we may judge that there should be as good prices next year as there have been this. We should also be able to market the sugar more quickly next year, as the transportation facilities will be better than they have been in the past."

FREAR CONFERS WITH CITIZENS

Seeks Advice on Choice of Successor to C. S. Holloway.

Governor Frear spent a great deal of his time yesterday afternoon in discussing with a number of leading citizens the choice of a successor to Superintendent of Public Works Holloway, whose term expires on Thursday night, according to the resignation presented by him and accepted by Governor Frear. Last night the Governor stated that he had not as yet selected the man who will move into Mr. Holloway's office and succeed him. It is possible that no successor will be chosen immediately, as the Governor announced yesterday that Mr. Holloway had agreed to stay on if necessary for a short while.

Those who visited the Governor yesterday on his invitation to talk over the situation included E. Faxon Bishop, A. Gartley, L. A. Thurston, W. Hoogs, C. M. Cooke, Senator W. O. Smith, W. R. Farrington, H. E. Cooper, J. F. Morgan, C. G. Ballentyne, Senator John Lane, E. D. Tenney and Attorney General Hemenway. The matter of the choice of a new Superintendent of Public Works was discussed freely, there seeming to be a fairly unanimous opinion as to who should be the man. The Governor himself expressed no opinion, but listened attentively to what was being said.

Nothing further than this could be learned of the discussion and no inkling has been given out as to whom the majority recommended.

It is the general opinion, however, that James T. Taylor will be the name announced by Governor Frear. The many consultations which have been going on between him and the Governor and Secretary, in which the Nuanu reservoir contract and the Kapaia lands have been discussed, leads to this opinion. On the other hand, it was stated with a show of authority yesterday that one of the haole supervisors from Kauai is the man whom the Governor would like to name. It was stated at the Capitol yesterday that the Governor is anxious to have Kauai represented in his cabinet and may take advantage of this opening to name one.